

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 1714–1739; 2 private bills, H.R. 1740–1741; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 52, H. Con. Res. 100–104, and H. Res. 161–164 were introduced. **Pages H2919–21**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 1999 (H. Rept. 106–128); and

H.R. 209, to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license federally owned inventions, amended (H. Rept. 106–129 Pt. 1). **Page H2919**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. Ronald F. Christian of Washington, D.C. **Page H2815**

Emergency Kosovo Supplemental for Fiscal Year 1999: The House passed H.R. 1664, making emergency supplemental appropriations for military operations, refugee relief, and humanitarian assistance relating to the conflict in Kosovo, and for military operations in Southwest Asia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 by a yeas and nays vote of 311 yeas to 105 nays, Roll No. 120. **Pages H2823–96**

Agreed to:

The Latham amendment that provides \$105.6 million to support farm loans; and **Pages H2841–45**

The Pelosi amendment that increases International Disaster Assistance funding by \$67 million. **Pages H2872–75**

Rejected:

The Coburn amendment that sought to offset funding by requiring an across the board cut of all FY 2000 non-defense discretionary spending equal to the amount in the bill minus the amount of NATO reimbursements and exempts certain programs, including WIC nutrition programs, from the reductions (rejected by a recorded vote of 101 yeas to 322 noes, Roll No. 117); **Pages H2845–49, H2862–63**

The Obey amendment that sought to provide the President's funding request for military operations in Kosovo; increase various defense programs including military pay; provide emergency food assistance; and include funding for various agriculture and disaster relief programs (rejected by a recorded vote of 164 yeas to 260 noes, Roll No. 118); **Pages H2849–62, H2863**

The Souder amendment that sought to strike Sec. 201 that increases Department of Defense funding transfer authority; and **Pages H2867–70**

The Istook amendment that sought to prohibit funding for the implementation of any plan to invade the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia with

ground forces, except in time of war (rejected by a recorded vote of 117 yeas to 301 noes, Roll No. 119). **Pages H2879–92**

Withdrawn:

The Souder amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to specify that funding for the Overseas Contingency Operation Transfer Fund shall be available to the extent that the President specifies that the items meet a critical readiness need and designates the entire amount as an emergency requirement; **Page H2865**

The Istook amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to provide \$11.3 million for tornado related damage at Tinker Air Force Base; **Pages H2866–67**

The Fowler amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to provide funding for ES–3 aircraft squadron staffing, aircraft operations and maintenance, and aircraft avionics and spares; **Pages H2871–72**

The Roukema amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to provide \$150 million for humanitarian food assistance. **Pages H2876–77**

The Deutsch amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to provide funding for Central American and Caribbean disaster recoveries. **Pages H2877–79**

The Farr amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to authorize payments for the claims arising from the deaths caused by the accident involving a USAF aircraft on April 3, 1996, near Dubrovnik, Croatia; **Pages H2892–93**

The Rohrabacher amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to prohibit any funds for the use of U.S. Armed Forces in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro); and **Pages H2893–94**

The Smith amendment was offered, but subsequently withdrawn, that sought to require that funds borrowed from the Social Security Trust Fund surplus to finance the act be repaid. **Pages H2894–95**

H. Res. 159, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to earlier by a yeas and nays vote of 253 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 116. **Pages H2815–23**

Late Report: The Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence received permission to have until midnight on May 7 to file a report on H.R. 1555, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000. **Page H2896**

Legislative Program: Representative Lazio announced the Legislative Program for the week of May 10. Page H2897

Meeting Hour—Monday, May 10: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 10. Page H2897

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 11: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday for morning-hour debates. Page H2897

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, May 12. Page H2897

Receiving Former Members of Congress—Thursday, May 13: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Wednesday, May 12, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. on Thursday, May 13 for receiving former Members of Congress in the House Chamber. Further agreed that it be in order on Thursday for the Speaker to declare a recess subject to the call of the chair for this purpose. Pages H2897–98

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Telecommunications Payments to Cuba: Message wherein he transmitted his periodic report on telecommunications payments made to Cuba—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–59); and Page H2898

State of Small Business: Message wherein he transmitted his fifth annual report on the state of small business—referred to the Committee on Small Business. Pages H2898–H2900

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H2815.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2922.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea and nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H2823, H2862–63, H2863, H2891–92, and H2895. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HEDGE FUNDS

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Held a hearing on the President's Working Group Study on Hedge Funds. Testimony was heard from Brooksley Born, Chairperson, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Gary Gensler, Under Secretary, Domest-

tic Finance, Department of the Treasury; Annette L. Nazareth, Director of Market Regulation, SEC; Pat Parkinson, Associate Director, Division of Research and Statistics, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

ELECTRICITY COMPETITION

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on Electricity Competition: Market Power, Mergers, and PUHCA. Testimony was heard from A. Douglas McLamed, Principle Deputy Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; Mozelle Thompson, Commissioner, FTC; Isaac C. Hunt, Commissioner, SEC; Douglas W. Smith, General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Environment held a hearing on H.R. 11, to amend the Clean Air Act to permit the exclusive application of California State regulations regarding reformulated gas in certain areas within the State. Testimony was heard from Senator Feinstein; Representatives Franks of New Jersey, and Tauscher; Robert Perciasepe, Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA; from the following officials of the State of California: Winston Hickox, Secretary, Environmental Protection, Environmental Protection Agency; and Pam O'Connor, Mayor, San Monica; and public witnesses.

HEALTH CARE QUALITY—IMPACT OF EXTERNAL REVIEW

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on Impact of External Review on Health Care Quality. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—CRIMINAL FINES, AND RESTITUTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on Crime, Criminal Fines, and Restitution: Are Federal Offenders Compensating Victims? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: Richard M. Stana, Associate Director, Administration of Justice Issues; and Jan B. Montgomery, Assistant General Counsel.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife, and Oceans approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 1552,